Sheila Arquette Joins National Association of Specialty Pharmacy (NASP) as Executive Director

Passionate specialty pharmacy executive joins leadership team of NASP

The National Association of Specialty Pharmacy (NASP), a non-profit organization representing all stakeholders in the specialty pharmacy industry including the nation's leading specialty pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology manufacturers, announced today that industry veteran, Sheila Arquette will become its new Executive Director. In her role, Sheila will support the organization's education and advocacy efforts in Washington, DC. She will work diligently with the NASP Government Affairs committee, lobbyists, members of Congress, CMS, and policy makers to increase the recognition of the value that Specialty Pharmacy provides the country's health care system.

"I'm excited about my new position at NASP and the amazing possibilities ahead for the organization," notes Arquette. "We have so many passionate volunteers who dedicate their time, energy, and talents to promote the practice of specialty pharmacy and I see my role as providing the required support, coordination and structure to ensure their continued success."

A native New Yorker who has worked in every level of specialty pharmacy from retail to hospital settings, Sheila has become a formidable leader in the industry.

"Sheila is an excellent addition to the NASP family. She is energetic, well-versed and has broad pharmaceutical experience that allows her to have a deep understanding of industry needs," said Rebecca Shanahan, President of NASP.

Sheila holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Pharmacy. She has extensive practical and leadership experience in retail pharmacy, hospital pharmacy, long-term care consulting and dispensing, in addition to the managed care, PBM and specialty pharmacy space. Sheila comes to NASP from Independent Health where she was the Director of Pharmacy Services.

About National Association of Specialty Pharmacy (NASP)

NASP (<u>www.naspnet.org</u>) is the only national association for all stakeholders in the specialty pharmacy industry. The core mission of NASP is to provide continuing education programs to pharmacists and other healthcare professionals working in specialty pharmacy, a growing pharmacy discipline that dispenses and manages specialized medications for chronic, rare, and/or complex conditions. NASP members include specialty pharmacies, integrated health systems, pharmaceutical and biotechnology manufacturers, healthcare payers, GPOs, wholesale drug distributors, and technology and other vendors. To learn more, please visit: <u>www.naspnet.org</u>. Media contact: <u>media@naspnet.org</u>